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- 1. CONFIDENTIAL ENTIRE TEXT.
- 2. IN LIGHT OF ONGOING CONFUSION ABOUT UGANDA'S POSITION WITH REGARD TO A UN FORCE ON THE UGANDA-RWANDA BORDER (REFTELS), AMBASSADOR IS REQUESTED TO SEEK CLARIFICATION

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FROM PRESIDENT MUSEVENI DURING THEIR UPCOMING MEETING TO DISCUSS SUDAN (SEPTEL). AMBASSADOR SHOULD GIVE MUSEVENI THE TEXT OF AMBASSADOR KAMUNAWIRE'S NOTE VERBALE (REFTEL A), STRESSING THAT WE INTERPRET THIS AS A NOTABLE STEP BACK FROM THE GOU'S EARLIER POSITION WITH REGARD TO A BORDER FORCE. MUSEVENI SHOULD UNDERSTAND THAT THIS APPARENT SHIFT IN POSITION WILL NOT BE HELPFUL IN DISPELLING LINGERING CONCERNS ABOUT UGANDAN INVOLVEMENT IN THE RWANDA CONFLICT. WHARTON

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